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1. Structure

a. Main Director - Lange (fnu)

(1) General Administration
(2) Planning Department
(3) Recruitment Department
(4) Transportation Department
(5) Grundsatz referat
(6) Personnel Department
(7) Compilation Department
(8) Inspection Department

b. Director of Exports - Fritz Schmidt

(1) Export office, coal
(2) Export office, power
(3) Export office, potash
(4) Export office, nitrogen
(5) Export office, salts
(6) Export office, stones and earths
(7) Export office, building materials
(8) Export office, structural elements
(9) Export office, cement

c. Director of Imports - Berger (fnu)

(1) Import office, coal
(2) Import office, phosphate
(3) Import office, ores
(4) Import office, stones and earths
(5) Office for Internal German Trade (Kontor Innerdeutscher Handel - IDH)

d. Chief Bookkeeper Hans Wobusa

(1) Financial bookkeeping

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(2) Export accounts group
(3) Import accounts group
(4) Cashier's office
(5) Wage and salary bookkeeping

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The total strength of these departments is between 250-300 persons, of which a maximum of twenty percent are [redacted].

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2. Export

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a. Coal: [redacted] The total annual exports amount to 2½-3 million metric tons.

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b. Lumber exported principally to Poland, also to Czechoslovakia [redacted] Total export is about 100 million kilometers annually.

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c. Potash: [redacted] Yearly potash exports amount to approximately one million metric tons.

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[redacted]

3. Imports:

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(1) The bulk of single import items was and is, for the most part, conducted by means of barter transactions. Foreign exchange transactions can only occasionally be arranged. The expansion of foreign exchange transactions with the West is to be attempted. Imports are supposed to be built up by participation in various fairs and by sending representatives to foreign firms. [redacted]

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(5) Exports are normally paid for by ocean. 25X1

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(7) DIA-Bergbau contracts include a penalty clause of up to 100% of the value of the contract. It is to be paid if the goods are exported to a destination other than the country agreed upon or if they are resold below the price set by DIA-Bergbau.

(8) The following firms produce cement for export:

(a) Zementwerke Hemmoor/Stade
(b) Zementwerk Lorenz/Ingstedt
(c) Zementwerk Geesthacht/Stade
(d) Zementwerk Lüneburg, Stolle/Bleckede
(e) Zementwerk Flensburg
(f) Zementwerk Lengerich, Kr. Solbergstadt

(9) Total exports amount to 700,000-800,000 metric tons annually.

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3. Imports

a. Coal: pit coal (steinkohle), anthracite, coke. Imported from Russia (anthracite) and Poland (pit coal). The exact import figures are not available. Source believes that imports amounted to from 4 to 5 million metric tons, including perhaps a million metric tons of coke.

b. Ores: iron ores, molybdenum, tungsten. 25X1

Total imports amount to 4 to 5 million tons annually.

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